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1. According to an officer of the North Korean 5th Division, the total North Korean equipment on 31 July was: 250 tanks, 100 planes, 300 Naval vessels, 8,000 supply wagons, 3,000 vehicles plus 1,000 captured, 300 artillery pieces plus 300 captured. The condition of this equipment was not known to source.
2. On about 20 July, four 1,000-ton vessels and two 2,000-ton vessels and several larger vessels were observed in North Incheon Harbor between Kanghwa Island and Kimp'o. All ships were riding deep. The cargo (not determined) was unloaded during the night, according to local stevedores. Two Soviet soldiers from a small craft boarded one vessel, which left Incheon early on the morning of 20 July.
3. Large ships from Yonan (126-10, 37-54) and Haeju (125-42, 38-02) use the east side of Kanghwa Island where they unload to small craft running to Incheon. Troops debark in the same area but are taken to Incheon in small boats by a different route.
4. During the night of 18-19 July, North Korean troops landed from wooden boats on a beach near Incheon railway station. On the morning of 19 July, 60 engineer troops landed with tools and instruments and proceeded to Matsushima Island, and Songdo Beach (an Incheon suburb), on foot; in the evening North Korean troops from Incheon moved to Songdo. The area was restricted and no civilian traffic was allowed. The area is little damaged by bombs, except near the park.
5. 10,000 North Korean troops were gathered at the Song Lim area of Incheon on 22 July.

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